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*Your heart flutters and you are overwhelmed
with this utterly wonderful feel's just your first kiss.*

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Get To Know Your Neighbor...

Hey



YOUR REGULAR HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORE WHO'S DOWN ON HER LUCK WHEN IT COMES TO A LOVE LIFE. HAVING A CRUSH ON THE UBER-POPULAR SINGER/ACTOR EZ CERTAINLY DOESN'T MAKE THINGS ANY EASIER, BUT SHE'S DETERMINED TO STEP INTO THE SPOTLIGHT OF HIS LIFE.

EZ



HANDSOME, FUNNY, RICH... AND DID WE SAY HANDSOME? HE MAY BE A LITTLE NAÏVE, BUT THIS TEEN IDOL'S GOT WHAT ALL THE GIRLS ARE LOOKING FOR, LEADING TO HIS ALREADY HUGE FANCLUB!

EO



WALKING TROUBLE, WITH SKATEBOARD MOVES AS SHARP AS HIS TONGUE. HE HAS A STRANGE ALLERGIC REACTION TO GIRLS, EXCEPT FOR WHEN IT COMES TO HEY. HE ALWAYS MANAGES TO POP UP WHEN HEY IS IN A JAM.

Mary



EO'S CLASSMATE WHO'S GOT THE HOTS FOR HIM, AND WILL DO ANYTHING TO GET HER MAN. SHE'S A MASTERMIND AT LAYING TRAPS, AND RIGHT NOW SHE'S GOT EO AND HEY AS HER TARGET.

Chung-sik



SMOOTHER TALKER EXTRAORDINAIRE, HE'S A MEGA-PLAYER THAT'S GOT ALL THE RULES DOWN WHEN IT COMES TO SNAGGING A GIRL.

Our Story So Far...

FOR THE FIRST 15 YEARS OF HEY'S LIFE, SHE'S HAD HER HEART SET ON ONE MAN AND ONE MAN ALONE, THE INCREDIBLY POPULAR TEEN IDOL, EZ, WHO ALSO ATTENDS HAKSAN HIGH SCHOOL. AND THOUGH EZ ONLY SEES HER AS A RELIABLE CLASSMATE TO HELP HIM REHEARSE HIS SCRIPTS, HEY'S FALLING FASTER FOR HIM EVERYDAY!

THIS ALL CHANGES WHEN EZ'S YOUNGER BROTHER, EO, STORMS ON STAGE! WHAT FIRST STARTED AS A SERIES OF INNOCENT TEASES HAS TURNED INTO SOMETHING MORE, AND IT'S CLEAR EO'S GOT HIS HEART SET ON HEY. HE'S WILLING TO FIGHT OFF SCHOOL TERRORS AND EVEN HIS OWN BROTHER TO STAKE HIS CLAIM, BUT HEY'S NOT ENTIRELY SURE HOW TO HANDLE THIS BALL OF TERROR.

A FEW NOBLE ACTS ON EO'S PART MAY BE SWAYING OUR YOUNG HEROINE'S HEART, BUT SHE'S STILL GOT A LOT OF ISSUES TO OVERCOME BEFORE SHE'S READY TO SPILL HER FEELINGS.



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FINISHED!

YES! I THOUGHT
THIS TEST WAS
BORING LAST
FOREVER! WE
SHOULD GO OUT
SOMEHOW AND
CELEBRATE!

SOUNDS LIKE A
PLAN. I WANTED TO
GO SHOPPING FOR
A NEW BAG ANYWAY,
SO WE SHOULD
TOTALLY HIT UP
SHIN-CHON!

THAT
SOUNDS LIKE
FUN.

COOL! AND WE
CAN GRAB SOME
SLUSHIES AT ICE
HEAVY, TOO. IT'S
BEEN WAY TOO
LONG SINCE WE'VE
HUNG OUT!

WHEN DO YOU
WANT TO
MEET?

HEY, WHAT
ABOUT
MEET?

I WISH
HANG OUT
WITH YOU
BUNS, TOO!

COME ON,
HEY, YOU
CAN'T...

AND
JUST WHY
IS THAT?!

WHAT DO
YOU MEAN WHY?
YOU DON'T HAVE
TIME FOR US ON
THE WEEKENDS.
YOU'VE GOT
YOUR MAN.

YEAH, WE
HEARD THAT
LITTLE BOY'S
GOT YOU
WHIPPED.

YOUR ONLY
DREAM IN LIFE IS
TO GET MARRIED,
AND YOU'RE
SAYING I'M
WHIPPED?

LOOK, I KNOW
JUST BEING NICE
AND DOING THE
KID A FAVOR,
THAT'S ALL.

I'M ON
MY OWN!
I CAN DO
WHATEVER
I WANT.

I'M
GOING TO
THE ARCADE
SO YOU NEED
TO REARRANGE
YOUR
SCHEDULE.

YOU WERE
SAYING...? SO
WILL WE SEE YOU
TOMORROW OR
NOT?

OF
COURSE!

DOES HE REALLY
THINK I'M JUST
GOING TO DROP
EVERYTHING AND
GO WITH HIM?

YOU'RE GONNA BE WAITING
A LONG TIME, BUDDY!

MEGABOX CIN

Game
Goham

STUPID!

JUST
WATCH ME.
YOU HAVE
TO MOVE
WITH THE
RHYTHM...
LIKE THIS.

WOW, OKAY...
SO I'M LOOKING AND
I'M THINKING... YOU
REALLY CAN'T DANCE.
WHAT ARE YOU GOOD
AT ANYWAY, OLD
LADY?

YOU'RE
THE ONE WHO
BROUGHT
ME HERE!

COME
ON!
DON'T
STICK
YOUR
BUTT
OUT LIKE
THAT!



WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

I'M THIRSTY!
I NEED A DRINK!

IS THAT ALL
RIGHT WITH
YOU? DO I
HAVE TO FILE A
REPORT FOR IT?
GAW, JUST DO
WHATEVER YOU
WANT UNTIL I
GET BACK.



WELL, IT'S NO
FUN IF NO ONE'S
WATCHING ME!
HURRY UP!

HE IS SO
STUBBORN.



CLUNK



WHAT AM I
EVEN DANCING
HERE?

MAN, IT'S
SO NOISY
IN HERE!

ISN'T
THAT GUY
CUTE? THE
ONE WHO'S
DANCING
OVER THERE...

HE LOOKS
BENEFICENT AND
ELEGANT WITH AN
EDGE.



AN EDGE? JUST WAIT
TIL YOU GET A TASTE OF
HIS TEMPER. I'D LOVE
TO HEAR WHAT YOU SAY
AFTER THAT.

I THINK
HE MIGHT
HAVE A
GIRLFRIEND.

SO, WHO
SAYS?
JUST CAUSE
THERE'S A
GIRLIE DOESN'T
MEAN YOU CAN'T
BOYFRIEND. NO
MATTER I SHOULD
JUST KISS
HER AWAY?

WELL, FUDGE, I
BET YOU
DARE HIM
ANY?



ALTHOUGH...
HE DOES LOOK
KIND OF COOL
FROM HERE. I
MEAN JUST A
TINY BIT.

IF YOU OVERLOOK THE
FACT THAT HE'S SHORT, HAS
A NASTY TEMPER, A CURDY
MOUTH AND IS STUBBORN AS
HELL, I GUESS HE DOES
HAVE A CUTE SIDE.

HE
IS A
GOOD
DANCER

THAT'S WHY
THOSE LITTLE
GIRLS LIKE HIM.



AND HE DOES HAVE
SWEET EYES, THEY'RE
SINCERE. OKAY, IT IS
PRETTY CUTE THE WAY HE
SWEATS WHEN HE'S SO
FOCUSED ON SOMETHING.



WHAT AM I
DOING? WHY
AM I THINKING
ABOUT HIM
LIKE THAT?



EO IS SO
NOT MY TYPE!

MY CUSAN GUY IS A
LOT MORE MATURE
AND KIND AND...

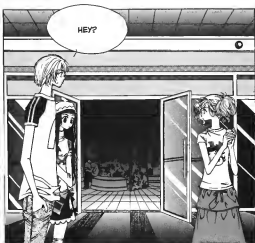


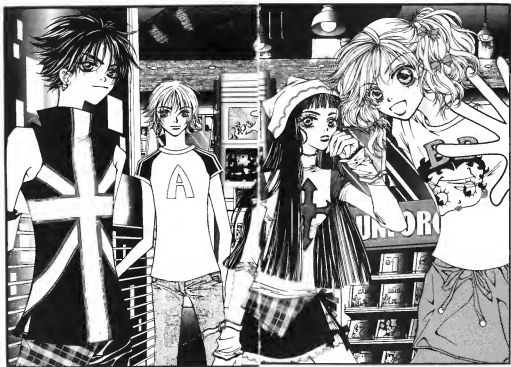
HE'S GOT WIDE
SHOULDERS SO I CAN
REST MY HEAD, AND
HE'S TALL ENOUGH
SO I CAN LOOK UP
INTO HIS EYES?
YEAH, I THINK THAT
WOULD BE PERFECT!

AND I CAN JUST
SEE THAT FACE...

IT CALLS MY NAME WITH SUCH
A SWEET VOICE... LIKE I'M IN
A ROMANTIC MOVIE OR FANCY
COMMERCIAL OR SOMETHING...

"HEY..."





Chapter 1: Double Date







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WHAT'S IT DOING?
ISN'T HOT?

COFFEE!
BLACK!

I just heard
what you
say...

WHOSE IDEA
WAS IT TO
COME HERE
IN THE FIRST
PLACE?



SO, YOU
CAN'T DRINK
COFFEE...

I CAN DRINK
WHATEVER I
WANT! AND I
LIKE MY COFFEE
BLACK!

HE BETTER NOT
TREAT ME LIKE
A LITTLE KID IN
FRONT OF MEY.

SO, HE'S
CERTAINLY
BORN A
WILD
MAN?

SO, YOU
SEE IT
WAS...



ARE YOU FEELING
OKAY, HEY? YOU
LOOK A LITTLE
FLUSHED.

NATHAN YOUR STEP, SISTER!



AND YOU...! YOUR
BOYFRIEND'S
SITTING NEXT TO
YOU AND YOU'RE
BLUSHING OVER
ANOTHER GUY?
NICE!



OH...!

YOU'RE
RIGHT, SHE
DOES LOOK
RED.

OH GREAT,
HERE WE
GO...

ARE YOU OKAY?
YOU DON'T FEEL
LIKE YOU HAVE A
FEVER.



YOU KNOW WHAT YOU SHOULD GET THE DOKKAKI SHE COULD USE THE WALK.



YEAH, ACTUALLY YOU KNOW WHAT? I AM A LITTLE POISED OFF RIGHT NOW.

WHY DOES HEY BLUSH WHEN SHE LOOKS AT YOU?



HMM? WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?



DON'T FORGET MY ♥ MUFFIN.

I THOUGHT YOU GUYS ARE GOING TO A MUSEUM. SHOULDN'T YOU BE GOING NOW?



MY IDIOT OF A BROTHER...

OH, I'M SORRY. WAS I INTERRUPTING SOMETHING?

GIVE ME A BREAK!



IT'S COOL. WE'LL JUST STOP IT AND HANG OUT WITH YOU.

HEAR HEAR! I DON'T TRAVEL IN PACKS. IT'S NOT TRAVEL BY TRUCK.



OH, NOW YOU'RE GIVING ME THE "I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON" FACE?

SORRY BRO. I WAS BORN WITH THIS FACE. IT'S MY CURSE.

DO YOU EXPECT ME TO WALK AROUND WITH A MASK?



CAN YOU BE SERIOUS ABOUT ANYTHING? IT'S ALL A BIG JOKE TO YOU, ISN'T IT? JUST LIKE WITH SA-YOUNG!



DAMN...
SEE? SEE WHAT
YOU BRING OUT IN ME.

I SHOULDN'T
HAVE SAID
THAT.

...I'M SORRY.

NO, IT'S FINE.
DON'T WORRY
ABOUT IT.

LOOK, HEY
JUST LIKES
ME BECAUSE
OF THE WHOLE
CELEBRITY
THING.

I KNOW WHAT
YOU'RE THINKING
AND IT'S NOT
GONNA HAPPEN. SO
STOP WORRYING.

I GIVE YOU MY
WORD. I WON'T
LET ANYTHING
HAPPEN. OKAY?

ALL RIGHT?
ARE WE
COOL?











MET GO
ON A DATE?
LIKE, A REAL
DATE WHERE
WE HOLD
HANDS AND
WALK AROUND
IN ARMS?

She's had a lot of
experiences, but has never
actually had a date

IT
WOULD
BE...

Sure, like they did
in the '70s version.

THAT WOULD BE
AMAZING! WE
COULD GO TO THE
BEACH AND THE
SODA SHOP AND...
ALL OF IT...

NO, NO.
I CAN'T... I
COULDN'T LIVE
WITH MYSELF!
I'D FEEL TOO
GUILTY!

DANG,
YOU ARE OLD
FASHIONED...

YOU'RE
NOT
GETTING
MARRIED!

IT'S
ONE
DATE.

HOW COULD
SOMEONE LIKE
ME EVER GO
ON A DATE
WITH ANY?

LOOK, I'LL
TAKE CARE
OF SO...

REALLY?



A DATE WITH EZZY



HEY LADIES, ♪
YOU WANT TO COME
HANG OUT WITH SOME
GOOD-LOOKING
GUYS AND WATCH
US BOARD?

COME ON,
WHAT DO YOU
SAY?

Don't mess up...

HEY,
GUY-CRAZY! YOU
MIGHT BE A TOLD
MOMENT, I TOLD
YOU TO ADVISE
YOU TO ADVISE
IF YOU THINK THAT IS
A NIGHTMARE!

I
KNOW THAT
VOICE.

COULD IT BE...

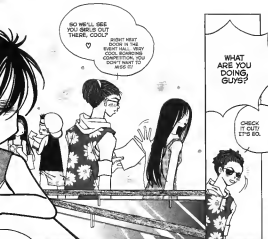
HEY, THE
MORE PRETTY
GIRLS WATCHING
US, THE BETTER
WE'LL DO.

Y'e

DO YOU
LISTEN TO
YOURSELF,
FUCK-
TIGHT!

NO
WAY

IT'S
THE
GUYS!



I THOUGHT
I KNEW WHO
THAT WAS.

WHO?

NOTHING.
DON'T WORRY
ABOUT IT.



EO,
YOU LITTLE
DEVIL....

YOU'VE
IMPRESSED
ME, MY
FRIEND.



WHAT'S UP WITH THAT?

I DON'T KNOW BUT I'M GONNA FIND OUT.

SO, WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

TELL ME, OKAY?

THEY'RE TAKING ME TO THE NEW-YOU CENTER, ACROSS THE STREET, THIRD FLOOR!

THIS IS GONNA BE EASIER THAN I THOUGHT. THINGS ARE JUST TAKING CARE OF THEMSELVES.

WHERE ARE YOU OFF TO?

THERE'S NO WAY HE WOULD JUST LEAVE ME! LIKE THAT.

OKAY?! IT'S A BOARDING COMPETITION. I HAVE TO GO.

HMM... ♡

JUST TELL HER TO COME. I'M COUNTING ON YOU, RAY.

SORRY I JUST REMEMBERED I HAD TO GO HOME.

She was listening to others going to...

REALLY? WHY?

SHE SAID I COULD HAVE A DATE WITH HER...

THUMP
THUMP
I PROBABLY PROMISED AN ACTRESS I WOULD DO THIS THING FOR HER. I'M REALLY SORRY, BUT I GOTTA GO.

WAS SHE FOR REAL?

OKAY, HEY...

...I'M LEAVING
NOW, AS IN NOT
GOING TO BE
HERE ANYMORE.

Nudge

DOES SHE
HAVE ANY
CLUE WHAT I
JUST DID
FOR HER?

WHAT AM I
SUPPOSED TO
DO??

핑긱

She gives
her a knowing
grin. The trap
is set ♡

WAIT A MINUTE...

THEY ARE REALLY
JUST TWO PEAS IN
A POD WHO CAN'T
QUITE CONNECT.



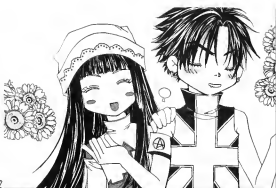
ALL RIGHT,
I'M SET!



And #6
completes
the round
flowlessly!



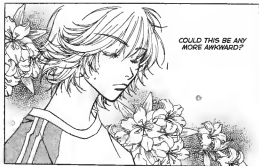




WHAT AM I
SUPPOSED
TO DO?

HE MADE ME
PROMISE NOT TO
EVEN LIKE HIM...

...YET HERE WE ARE.
THIS IS TOTALLY
CONFUSING...



COULD THIS BE ANY
MORE AWKWARD?



SO THEY SAT LIKE THAT
FOR THIRTY MINUTES.



IT DIDN'T LOOK LIKE SHE
WANTS TO LEAVE EITHER...

SO,
HEY...

YES?
바라바



WE'RE BOTH
JUST SITTING
HERE, SO WHY
DON'T WE GO
DO SOMETHING
TOGETHER?

BUT HE CAN'T POSSIBLY
HAVE A PROBLEM WITH
ME JUST BEING NICE
TO HIM, RIGHT?

I ASKED
IF YOU
DON'T HAVE
ANYTHING
ELSE TO DO...

NO! I MEAN, I'M
FINE. I'M GOOD.
I HAVE NOWHERE
TO BE...AT ALL.



OKAY, THAT'S
BIZARRE. IT WAS
FULL, JUST A
MINUTE AGO.

GO USE THE
PAYPHONE.

THAT MARY IS GOOD!



YEAH, I CAN
DO THAT...
OR...



SO,
THAT'S
NOT WHAT I
MEANT...

STUPID,
STUPID,
STUPID! !!

YES,
I'D LOVE TO
HANG OUT
WITH YOU.

I MEAN, IF YOU
DON'T MIND...



SO YOU
WANT TO?

I JUST NEED
TO CALL MY
MANAGER REAL
QUICK, OKAY?



WHAT THE...?
MY PHONE'S
DEAD.



IT
WHAT
IF WE
BOTH
WENT?

WHY DON'T
WE JUST
WALK OVER
TOGETHER,
PRINCESS?



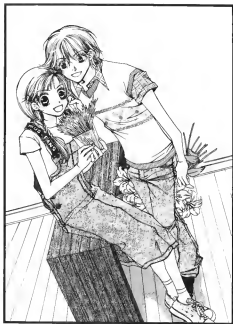
THIS IS
DEFINITELY
A DREAM.





WHAT...?

OH, AND
JUST SO
YOU KNOW...



Chapter 2: Confession

DO YOU HAVE ANY
IDEA, EOP?

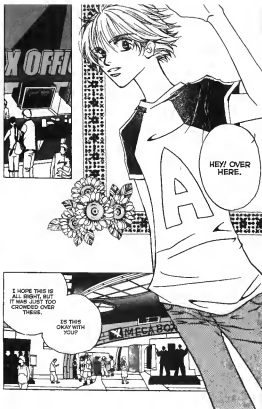


I'VE DONE THIS FOR YOU.



IF HEY WANTS TO BE
LIKE THAT, FINE. BUT
MY OWN BROTHER?
HE WAS THE ONE
TELLING ME NOT
TO WORRY.













HE WAS SO HANDSOME. SOFT AND KIND...AND HE STOOD BY THE GIRL HE LOVED.



I THINK THAT'S THE WAY YOU'D BE, TOO. PLUS, BOTH OF YOU GUYS HAVE SHORT HAIR...



WHEN YOU'RE A CELEBRITY, THEY CREATE AN IMAGE FOR YOU. THAT'S WHAT THEY DO.

THERE'S A HUGE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN WHO I REALLY AM AND MY IMAGE. AND I DON'T THINK THE FANS...

...WANT TO SEE THE REAL ME.



IT'S NOT ME THEY LIKE. IT'S THE CELEBRITY.



EZ?

JUST LIKE THE SITCOM YOU'RE IN, RIGHT?



HEY, YOU'RE REALLY SO INNOCENT.

DO YOU REALLY STILL BELIEVE IN ALL THAT?



IT'S JUST MADE UP.



SORRY, THIS KIND OF TALK'S NOT REALLY FUN, HUH?

LET'S GO BUY THE SOUND-TRACK.



HOW COULD
ANYONE NOT
LIKE YOU?

HEY, THIS
SONG'S
PRETTY
GOOD.

I HAD NO
IDEA...

HE EVEN
THOUGHT
THAT WAY.

DOES HE THINK
THAT ABOUT ME?

THAT I'M
JUST SOME
FAN WHO ONLY
LIKES HIM
BECAUSE HE'S
A CELEBRITY?

Breaking a
bad rule
here.

I THINK
HE DOES.

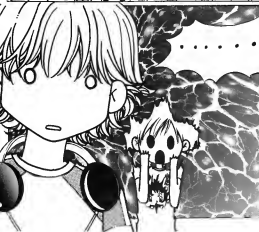
I DON'T
KNOW...

I MEAN, I GUESS IT'S
POSSIBLE. WHAT'S THE
DIFFERENCE BETWEEN
LIKING SOMEONE AND
ADORING THEM? I GUESS
AT FIRST, SURE... I LIKED
BT, THE CELEBRITY, BUT...

EVEN IF HE WAS
JUST A REGULAR
PERSON, I'D
STILL LIKE HIM.
SO WHAT DOES
THAT MEAN?

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Chapter 3: Broken Heart



W-WAIT,
EO! EZ
WAS
JUST--

HE DOESN'T GET IT.



WH-WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING?!

Stupefied

WOW I'M
ACTUALLY
IMPRESSED.

HARY
...?

AND YOU
EZ, THE BIG
BROTHER...

Good luck! (Manga)

HAVING
A CLASH
LINE THAT
IS SCARY,
ISN'T
IT?

CHAP
YES, I SET
THE WHOLE
THING UP, BUT I
NEVER THOUGHT
SHOULD DROP
A BOMB LIKE
THAT. CERTAINLY
NOT WITH HIS
PERSONALITY.

DID YOU KNOW
ABOUT THIS?
ARE YOU CRAZY
FOR ME, TOO?

WAS YOU
THINK EVERYONE'S
IN LOVE WITH YOU?
TYPICAL!

HEY...

EQ, STOP IT!

I'M SERIOUS!
YOU BETTER
STOP IT!

WHAT'S
WRONG
WITH
SQUAT?

YOU CAN'T
JUST DEMAND
HE GET
WHATEVER
YOU WANT!

DO YOU THINK
I'LL BE SCARED
OF YOU IF YOU
ACT THIS WAY?

CHOOSE
ME IS A
LITTLE
SCARY
RIGHT
NOW...

Straw
Jin

BUT THIS IS MY LIFE...
MY BUSINESS. I HAVEN'T
DONE ANYTHING WRONG
TO HIM.

CHOOSE.

CHOOSE
WHAT?

EZ OR
ME?

YOU
ALREADY
KNOW THE
ANSWER.

GREAT! THAT'S
FINE. I DON'T
CARE. BUT I
WILL NEVER
FORGIVE YOU!

SO FROM NOW
ON, I DON'T WANT
YOU TO MEET HIM
OR LOOK AT HIM
OR EVEN THINK
ABOUT EZ! OKAY?
NOBODY TWO-
TIMES ME!

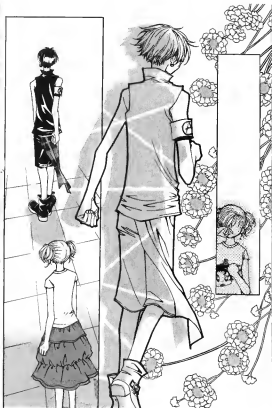
I'M SORRY, BUT
I'VE LIKED EZ
SINCE THE START!

YOU CAN'T
TELL ME
WHAT TO
DO!

REALLY?
YOU'RE MY
GIRLFRIEND
NOW!

...
AREN'T
YOU?







LET'S MAKE IT
OFFICIAL AND
BREAK UP.









THIS DOESN'T
FEEL RIGHT.

I WAS EXPECTING
SOMETHING ELSE.

WELL...I...

HOW
DID YOU
GET MY
NUMBER?

THANK
YOU...

I MEAN
THANKS FOR
TELLING ME.

I ASKED
NAOMI AND
SHE TOLD
ME.

OH...
OKAY.

THAT'S
GONNA
MAKE
SCHOOL
FUN
TOWARD-
MORE.

BOY IS THIS
AMAZING.

LISTEN
ABOUT ALL
THAT STUFF
A FEW DAYS
AGO...

Silence



I'M SURE IT
WASN'T EASY
FOR YOU...AND I
JUST WANTED TO
TELL YOU THAT IN
PERSON.

OH,
COME
ON.

YOU DON'T
HAVE TO WORRY.
I DO LIKE YOU AND
IT'S JUST...I JUST
ACTED A LITTLE
CRAZY.



WHENEVER I SEE YOU,
HEY, I FEEL HAPPY AND
REALLY COMFORTABLE
AND...I THINK I
COMFURD THAT FOR
SOMETHING ELSE.

AND WHATEVER
IT WAS, I DIDN'T
WANT TO LOSE IT.



I LIKE YOU,
TOO, HEY.

BUT...
AS A
"FAN."



I STILL
DON'T WANT
TO LOSE IT.

SO...
I WANT
YOU TO STAY
MY FRIEND.



EVEN AS HE SAID
ALL THAT, HE STILL
HAD SUCH A KIND
SMILE...

I DON'T
WANT
ALL THIS
CONFUSION
TO...

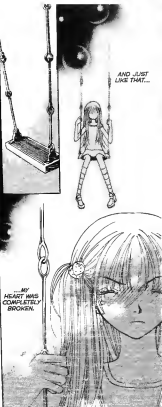
...TO MAKE
ME LOSE YOU
FOREVER.

AND THEN, EZ
JUST TURNED
AND LEFT.
THAT WAS IT.

...MY
HEART WAS
COMPLETELY
BROKEN.

AND JUST
LIKE THAT...

THAT
WASN'T
EASY.





Chapter 4: Their Circumstances I





THE WEATHER'S
PERFECT NOW,
RIGHT? AND AFTER
TWO YEARS WE
CAN FINALLY
CHANGE OUR
LIVES!

NOTHING'S
PERFECT WHEN
YOU'RE TRYING
TO FORGET A
LOVE.



COME ON,
YOU'VE BEEN
CRYING FOR
DAYS.

REMEMBER
WHAT THEY
SAID, "TIME
HEALS ALL
WOUNDS."

AND EITHER
WAY, IT ENDED
UP OKAY.

I MEAN YOU GOT TO
CONFESS AND GET
EVERYTHING OFF YOUR
CHEST



I ADMIRE
YOU FOR
THAT. IT
TOOK
GUTS.

BUT, THE WAY YOU
SANDICED THE
WHOLE SO THING...
THAT WAS KIND OF
A BLUNDER, HEAT I
MEAN. HE WAS
PRETTY DECENT,
GUTS!

AND YOU REALLY
COUGHED HIM JUST AS
HE WAS BLOSSOMING.
THAT'S GONNA COME
BACK AND GET
YOU, HEY.

WHY
ARE YOU
SAVING
THAT?



I NEVER
TOLD
HIM ANYTHING
BUT THE TRUTH!

YOU'RE MY
GIRLFRIEND NOW...
AREN'T YOU?

YOU
FORCED
ME INTO
CHOOSING
YOU. I
HAD NO
CHOICE!

THAT'S HOW I
FELT AT THE
TIME.

I'M SORRY,
BUT I'VE
LIVED BY
FROM THE
START!

OH...



FINE, THEN
IT'S OVER!
LET'S MAKE IT
OFFICIAL AND
BREAK UP!

MAYBE IT'S TRUE...

MAYBE HE REALLY DID FEEL
THAT STRONGLY ABOUT ME.

Ding
Dang
Dong!

YOU'RE
RIGHT, I'M
SORRY. LET'S
JUST GO
HOME.

WHY DIDN'T I EVEN THINK OF THAT?
SO GOT HURT AS MUCH AS I DID.



I HAVEN'T
SEEN HIM
SINCE THAT
NIGHT.

I
MISSED
HIM VERY
MUCH.

HEY WHO IS
THAT OVER
THERE?

WHAT?

THERE IS
A REALLY
CUTE GUY
OVER THERE.

OVER THERE/
THE GUY LOOKING
AT THE SIGN. I
DON'T THINK HE
GOES TO OUR
SCHOOL.









YOU!
YOU'RE--

EO!

LOOK! I
FOUND IT!

YEAH,
THAT'S WHAT
I THOUGHT,
TOO!

SO
REALLY SHE'S
NOT? THE
STORYS ARE
FOR THE ONE
WITH THE
KITTY?

OH,
HEY!

DE...
WHAT ARE
YOU DOING
HERE?

PLEASE,
DON'T AGG
SURPRISE!

WHAT?

LIKE YOU DON'T
KNOW WHAT AGE
YOU DOING
WITH EO?

FROM
WHAT I HEAR,
EO DOESN'T
EVEN LIKE
YOU!

AND WHAT
HAPPENED TO HIS
LOOK? WHAT DID
YOU DO TO HIM,
YOU WITCH?

OH, I'M SORRY,
SURES YOU DIDN'T
HEAR, EO AND I
ARE DATING.

I
DON'T...

I DON'T
LIKE YOU!

CURRENTLY
SUFFERING
POST-TRAUMATIC
"I DON'T LIKE YOU"
SYNDROME.

...LIKE YOU!

YOU'RE
FULL OF
IT!

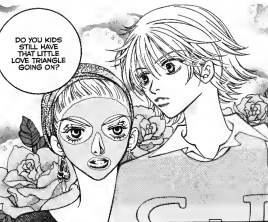
YOU THINK
I'M LYING?



I GUESS HE'S STILL MAD.



DO YOU KIDS
STILL HAVE
THAT LITTLE
LOVE TRIANGLE
GOING ON?



YOU DIDN'T
JUST GIVE UP
ON THE GIRL
BECAUSE HE'S
YOUR FAVORITE
SWEETIE,
DID YOU?



I WOULD
BE SO
DISAPPOINTED
IN YOU.

I DID NOT
RAISE MY
BOYS LIKE
THAT!



IT SCARES ME
TO SEE HOW
MUCH YOU'RE
ENJOYING THIS.
CAN'T YOU GIVE
IT A REST?



YOU EVER
IMAGINE
ABOUT
YOUR
KID?

SOONER OR LATER
YOU WON'T
SUSPECT LITTLE
OL' MEY!
IT'S CALLED
A WOMAN'S
INSTINCT.



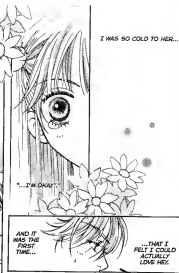
I GUESS YOU
KNOW BEST, SO
IF YOU THINK IT
WAS BETTER TO
GIVE UP...



...JUST
REMEMBER,
THAT'S NOT
ALWAYS FAIR
TO THE OTHER
PERSON. DO
YOU UNDER-
STAND?



YES.







EZ,
THERE YOU
ARE! COME
ON IN!



EZ, I'D
LIKE TO
INTRODUCE
YOU TO KIM
YOUNG.

HE'LL BE
YOUR OTHER
HALF ON THE
DUC-RAP AND
CHOREOGRAPHY.



I ALREADY
KNOW THIS
GUY, WHO
DOESN'T?



GOOD TO
MEET YOU,
MAN.



HAVE
YOU TWO
MET YET?

SO DID YOU
WATCH HER
PRACTICE AT
ALL? PRETTY
GOOD, HUH?



HEY,
HOW'S IT
GOING?



AND KIM,
THIS IS...



YEAH...
SAME
HERE.

WHY DO I NEED A
PARTNER?

WHAT
KIND OF
GET-
TOGETHER
IS THIS?

WAS THAT YOUNG
FELLOW CLASS 2P?
I CAN'T BELIEVE
SHE PICKED
YOU. HE'S GET-
TING TOGETHER AS
SUPPOSED TO
BE THE BOSS.
YOU GOTTA AT
LEAST TRY ONE!

I DON'T
EVEN KNOW
HE'S AND I'M
A LITTLE NERD
WITH THIS PEOPLE
UNDER THOSE
CIRCUMSTANCES

MY PROBLEM IN LIFE IS
THAT I'M A HOPELESS
ROMANTIC. I BELIEVE
IN JUST MEETING SOMEONE
OUT OF NOWHERE. YOU
KNOW? LIKE FATE. DON'T
YOU THINK THAT WOULD
BE COOL?

OH
MYSTIC SOME-
ONE WILL JUST
FALL OUT OF
THE SKY.
RIGHT?

THERE WAS
ANOTHER
GIRL WHO'S
SUPPOSED
TO BE HERE.
BUT SHE WAS
SOMETHING
ELSE COMING
UP.

IT SHOULD
BE A LOT OF
FUN, SO...

DO YOU
WANT TO GIVE
IT A TRY?

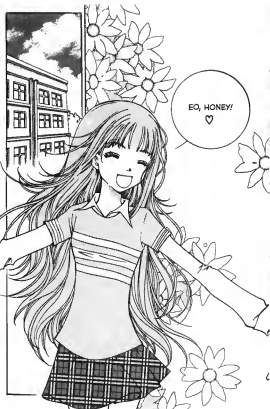
I DON'T
KNOW.
I'M NOT
REALLY...

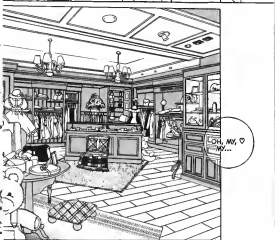
SO WE'LL
SEE YOU ON
SUNDAY? I'LL
CALL YOU!

NOW, NOW
I'M SURE WE'LL
HAVE PLENTY OF
TIME TO CATCH UP
LATER. WE COULD
THROW A PARTY
OR SOMETHING.
RIGHT?

COOL.

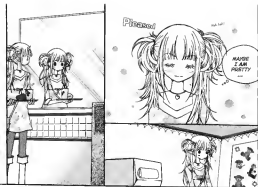
AM I
MISSING
SOME-
THING?











WHY IS EO HERE?
WHY IS HEY HERE?!

THIS IS SO
NOT GOOD.

THIS IS SO
NOT GOOD.

THIS WAY
IS TAKING
POWER AWAY.

I ALWAYS
THOUGHT IF I
BUMPED INTO HIM,
I'D APOLOGIZE
BUT ...

I DIDN'T THINK IT
WOULD HAPPEN SO
SOON, AND HE'S STILL
A LITTLE SCARY.

3.500

LOOK,
WHAT
HAPPENED
BETWEEN
US...

I JUST
WANTED TO
SAY... I'M
SORRY.





THESE TWO...





Chapter 5: Their Circumstances II





AREN'T WE MISSING SOMEONE?

YEAH, HE'S GOING TO BE A LITTLE LATE, WE CAN JUST WAIT FOR HIM HERE.

WHAT ABOUT HER? I'VE NEVER SEEN HER BEFORE.

GREAT! MY FIRST GET-TOGETHER...

...AND I CAN BARELY FOCUS ON ANYTHING!

Yeah, he's late for my first date.

It's my first date too!

WHAT I MEAN IS...

Hey, why I said

So what? Do you think I'm late?

Is there someone you like?

... WHY ...

...ARE THEY SITTING RIGHT BEHIND ME?

BUT...

...THOSE TWO REALLY LOOK GOOD TOGETHER.

Thinking only

What? I don't see what you're talking about!

He's late for my first date!

IT'S FUNNY...

HERE I WAS,
WORRYING THAT I'D BEEN
TOO HARSH WITH HIM...

...WHEN
THERE WAS
REALLY
NOTHING
TO GET SO
WORKED UP
ABOUT.

I MEAN, LOOK
AT HIM.

IT WASN'T THAT LONG
AGO WHEN HE FOLLOWED
ME AROUND SAYING HOW
MUCH HE LIKED ME...

...AND NOW, LESS THAN A
MONTH LATER...HE'S LAUGHING
WITH SOMEONE ELSE!

THIS IS WHY I CAN'T DEAL
WITH YOUNG BOYS.

Couple's Atmosphere

OVER
HERE!

WHY
ARE
YOU SO
LATE?

SORRY,
SORRY, THE
TRAFFIC WAS
TERRIBLE.

I THINK THAT
ONE LOOKS PRETTY
POPULAR.





I DON'T CARE!

SHE WAS THE ONE WHO LEFT AND
SAID SHE DOESN'T LIKE ME.

THIS
GUY'S KIND
OF BETTING
TO ME...

YOU
GOT
SOME-
THING
ON YOUR
LIPS.

HUH?

NOW STAY
STILL.

OOH, LOOK
HOW YOU'RE
BLUSHING
OVER SUCH A
TRIVIAL THING.
HOW CUTE!
HA HA HA.

Ha ha ha!

THANKS,
BUT I
CAN DO IT
MYSELF.

WELL, THERE'S
STILL A LITTLE
BIT... THERE!
IT'S OFF.

I'VE HAD IT!

SO?!
WHERE ARE
YOU GOING?

I DON'T
CARE. IT'S
NONE OF MY
BUSINESS.

I KNOW
I DON'T
CARE...

...BUT...



THIS NOT
CARING
ACT IS TOO
MUCH TO
HANDLE
RIGHT
NOW!



EO...?

WHAT ARE
YOU DOING?
LET ME GO!



YOU'RE
EMBARRASS-
ING ME!

WHAT AM I DOING?

TELL ME YOU DID NOT JUST ASK ME THAT QUESTION.

I DID NOT BACK DOWN FROM EZ JUST TO LET YOU PULL THAT CRAP! I THINK YOU NEED TO GO HOME, OLD LADY!

PULL WHAT? I'M JUST HANGING OUT WITH FRIENDS!

ARE YOU A FREAKIN' CAVEMAN OR SOMETHING? SINCE WHEN IS IT A CRIME TO SEE PEOPLE?

DAMN IT! YOU'RE ACTING LIKE I'M THE ONE DOING SOMETHING WRONG!

ARE YOU KIDDING ME?

HANGING OUT? YOU WERE AT A SINGLES GET-TOGETHER!

OKAY, THAT WAS WEIRD.

YOU'RE PULLING MY LEGS!

IS THIS HOW YOU THANK ME? I JUST SAVED YOU FROM GETTING PLAYED ON!

LOOK AT EZ. NOTHING DOUBLES THE TIME I BURST THROUGH A LOT TO DO WITH A PRETTY FACE. KIDNAP YOU SOONER BE CRAZY ON YOUR OWN, LITTLE LADY?

DON'T YOU SAY ANYTHING ABOUT EZ!

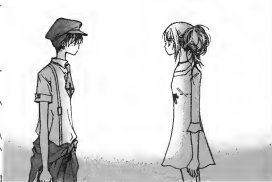
YOU'RE NOTHING BUT A CHEAP PLAYER!

IF ANYONE TALKS CRAP ABOUT EZ, IT'S ME, GOT IT?

I DON'T EVEN CARE WHAT HE DOES.

I'M USED TO HIM ACTING LIKE THAT.

EZ'S NOTHING MORE THAN AN IDIOT.









WELL... ...I CAN UNDERSTAND YOU HAVE A LOT OF OTHER THINGS GOING ON, SO...

WHAT ABOUT YOUNGS?

DANS IT...

WELL, YOU WERE OFF AGAIN

OOPS, YOU'RE RIGHT, SORRY.

GUESS MY BODY'S NOT USED TO THIS YET.

YOU'RE NOT DOING BY YOURSELF, ARE YOU?

ON THAT ONE, YOU HAVE TO WAIT A HALF-SEAT AND THEN GO OUT.

WELL, IT WOULD HELP IF YOU PAID A LITTLE MORE ATTENTION.

IS HE GIVING YOU A HARD TIME? I'M SURE HE LIKES YOU. HE'S JUST A PERFECTIONIST.

HE TOLD ME HOW MUCH HE ADMIRED YOU. YOU'RE HIS GOAL, HE SAID.

BUT I'M SO SURE...

OH, THAT'S THE GUY.

Is he your?

LOOK, IF IT'S TOO MUCH, DO YOU WANT ME TO HAVE A TALK WITH YOUNGS?

...HE REALLY DOESN'T LIKE ME.







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